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Bruce's career is a clear testament to his passion for public service, justice and our democracy and so are his commitments in his spare time. He has volunteered for a long list of organizations including the Peace Corp in Ethiopia, the Housing Leadership Council, Thrive, HEART, Meals on Wheels, Community Health Care Corporation, Work Force Investment Board and United Way in Monterey County.

Bruce was born in 1942 in Lincoln, Nebraska. He received his BS in Secondary Education and his J.D. Degree from the University of Nebraska.

He is the proud father of his son Alfred and grandfather of Ashley and Lindsey.

Mr. Speaker, Bruce Hamilton personifies the old adage, "Walk a mile in my shoes." Bruce has walked many miles in the shoes of many of his clients over the years of his service to our community, and it is due to his capacity to empathize that he is being honored upon his retirement. His is a life's work well done.

75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INDIANAPOLIS SYMPHONIC CHOIR

HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Mr. CARSON. Mr. Speaker, this year marks the 75th Anniversary of the Indianapolis Symphony Choir, one of our nation's most active and dynamic symphonic choruses.

The Choir performs for tens of thousands of my constituents annually at storied venues, including this year's Super Bowl. I was fortunate to witness the Choir's incomparable artistry during this year's Celebration Gospel Festival, a moving tribute to Dr. King's legacy.

Under the leadership of a phenomenal Board of Directors, as well as the guiding hands of artistic director Dr. Eric Stark, executive director Michael Pettry, General Manager Andrew Lannard, and Operations Manager Stephanie Derybowski, the Choir adds to the cultural richness of the 7th District and provides invaluable inspiration to Hoosiers of all ages, races, and backgrounds.

Since 1937, the Symphony Choir has partnered with the venerable Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra. This collaboration of successful independent arts organizations has entertained generations of music lovers throughout Central Indiana. I also commend the Symphony Choir for spearheading educational initiatives benefitting students and teachers within Indianapolis Public Schools.

Finally, I want to congratulate the 160 volunteer singers who tirelessly dedicate themselves to mastering their craft. Their selfless devotion to community enrichment is awe-inspiring.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Indianapolis Symphony Choir on 75 years of music and wishing them continued success for decades to come.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, on February 27, 2012, I was unavoidably detained and was unable to record my vote for rollcall No. 50. Had I been present I would have voted:

Rollcall No. 73: "yes"—Federal Restricted Buildings and Grounds Improvement Act of 2011.

RECOGNIZING STEVE TRUMAN

HON. SANDER M. LEVIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a dedicated, compassionate and effective public servant Steve Truman, who is retiring after serving the people of the City of Roseville, Michigan, for 32 years, the last eight as City Manager.

Mr. Truman graduated from Eastern Michigan University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Secondary Education and he also earned a Masters Degree in Urban Planning from Wayne State University.

Mr. Truman began his career in the private sector as a city planning consultant. He started working for the City of Roseville in 1979 as the Executive Director for the Roseville Housing Commission. In 1983 he was appointed as the Director of Building and Inspections, and in March 2005 he became City Manager and has served in the capacity successfully to the present date.

Although City Manager is not elected position, Mr. Truman truly devoted himself to the community and was constantly visible everywhere throughout the city. He is a member of the Roseville Optimist Club, as well as a number of other community and professional organizations. Mr. Truman made it his goal to improve the City's financial future, and under his leadership, the City has continued on a path of sound financial footing despite immense economic challenges, while still providing quality services to residents.

It has been a true pleasure for my staff and me to work with Mr. Truman on collaborative efforts that have resulted in some important local initiatives. On one such occasion we worked together on a project to combine three municipal police and fire dispatch centers to consolidate and form one regional police and fire dispatch authority that provides greater efficiency and increased productivity. This type of forward and creative thinking has saved the City of Roseville \$2.5 million over a five-year period and is just one example of Mr. Truman's abilities as an effective leader.

In addition to his dedication to providing quality government service, Mr. Truman has also been a passionate advocate for education, serving on the Utica School Board for almost a decade. Since 2010 he has been a member of the Utica Schools Foundation for Educational Excellence.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the dedicated public service of Steve Truman and his numerous achieve-

ments over a 32-year career. I am so pleased to join with the entire community in paying tribute to his achievements, and thanking him for years of talented service. I am confident he will continue to play an important role in the community where he is highly thought of, in addition to enjoying a bit of retirement. Importantly, he and his wife Pam now get to enjoy spending time visiting their four children and three grandchildren Ben, Jack and Avery.

ARTHUR GENSLER

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Arthur Gensler who today is receiving the 2011 Silver Spur Award from San Francisco Planning and Urban Research (SPUR). This award recognizes a lifetime of civic achievement of a San Franciscan.

San Francisco is not alone in benefitting from Mr. Gensler's vision, creativity and leadership; his impact is global. In 1965 he founded Gensler, a San Francisco based architecture and design firm, that has grown from a three-person office to a 3000-person firm with over 30 offices worldwide. Mr. Gensler transformed interior design into a recognized profession and his firm serves as a model for design professions in the 21st century.

Gensler designed the stunning new Terminal 2 at SFO, located in my district, and Terminal B at Norman Mineta International Airport in San Jose. Other notable projects include the Toys R Us store at Times Square in New York, the Avenue of the Stars CAA building in Los Angeles, Jet Blue Terminal 5 at JFK, Gaylord National Convention Center in National Harbor, Maryland, the first LEED certified car dealership in McKinney, Texas and Shanghai Tower in Shanghai, China which is currently under construction. Among the many Awards Gensler received are the American Institute of Architects' IDP Outstanding Firm Award, Contract Magazine's Legend Award, Interior Design Hall of Fame, U.S. Green Building Council Leadership Award, the Lifetime Achievement award from Ernst & Young LLP, and AIA's Architecture Firm Award, the highest honor that AIA can bestow on an architecture firm for consistently producing distinguished architecture.

Mr. Gensler is a graduate of Cornell University, which named him "Cornell Entrepreneur of the Year" in 1995. Today he serves on the Advisory Council of Cornell's College of Architecture, Art and Planning. Mr. Gensler has also been a Visiting Professor at Arizona State University, Cornell, and the University of California at Berkeley, where he is on the Advisory Board of the Haas School of Business. He is a Trustee of the National Building Museum, Washington, DC, and the Buck Institute for Aging, Novato, California. Mr. Gensler is a Fellow of both the American Institute of Architects (FAIA) and the International Interior Design Association (FIIDA), which honored him with its Star Award. He is also a professional member of the Royal Institute of British Architects, and a co-founder of the AIA's National Interior Architecture Committee.

Mr. Gensler and his wife of over six decades, Drue Gensler, live in Mill Valley. They